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Dear Residents,

I want to thank you for the positive turnout we've had at our town hall meetings to answer your questions and concerns about the Village's proposed property tax increase from 0.30 mills to 5.3 mills. The levy election will be held on Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We had 116 people in attendance at the first town hall in January, not counting any staff or council members. At that meeting there were numerous false statements made and some harsh and challenging statements made about our community. Some of the questions asked and some of the false statements puzzled the council members who were in attendance because all of council supports all expenditures and agrees on all economic decisions of Walton Hills.

One resident who is also a business owner in the Village, made a puzzling statement at the first town hall: "The Village of Walton Hills is the third worst community to do business within Cuyahoga County." How some of our residents become so misinformed is worrisome to me. We have never heard this before and we can't find this information in any publication. The statement also referenced spot zoning and several empty buildings in our industrial area. After that meeting I personally went to review the amount of empty buildings. We have four on record that have little to no income coming in to the Village coffers. The fact is: of the four buildings, three are under contract or negotiations to be filled with **businesses.** The Ford Plant still has employees in Walton Hills that give payroll tax to our community. Those employees are demolishing the machinery at the facility.

As far as the spot zoning statement and/or issue, we, the council and the mayor, discussed the zoning change for more than nine months and had support from both the planning commission and the zoning board of appeals to change all of

that area to mix-use for more control in order to stop warehousing which provides little income tax revenue for our Village.

If passed, the levy would be for four years. It must then be placed on the ballot again after those four years and can be removed at any time by council if and when we start the process of collecting more income tax revenue. We have discussed this for more than four years and have reduced our operations by \$325,000. We are planning on holding a town hall meeting to discuss the proposed tax levy on the last Tuesday of each month before the May election. We want you, the residents, to know the facts as we continue to be transparent with regards to the Village's operations. We have seen more growth and improvements in the last seven years than we have since the 1970s.

We've had several morning meetings with the mayor since 2015 where residents can enjoy a fresh cup of coffee while I answer any questions they may have about the operations of the Village. These meetings have proven to be very helpful to residents by providing the facts about Walton Hills and stamping out the untrue information at the same time. We strive to serve you and treat you the way we would want to be served and treated. We're all a part of this community and we need to all work together to keep Walton Hills great.

The next town hall meetings are planned for Tuesday, March 28th at 6pm and Tuesday, April 25th at 6pm in the community room. My hope is that all residents attend at least one town hall meeting to learn more about the proposed property tax levy.

Thank You,

Kevin Hurst

Mayor/Safety Director, I.G.I.T.

Note: The Town Hall meeting on Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> will also include our State of the Village address.

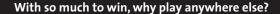




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#### **Your Village Officials**

Top row: Councilpersons Gloria Terlosky, Paul Rich,

Mary Brenner-Miller, Brian Spitznagel

Bottom row: Councilman Don Kolograf, Mayor Kevin Hurst,

Councilman Denny Linville

# Legislation Approved at the 2.21.2017 Council Meeting

Council meeting minutes are available in their entirety on the Village website

**Resolution No. 2017-3** confirms the appointment of Dan Stucky as Street Commissioner for the Village of Walton Hills for the period beginning February 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018.

**Resolution No. 2017-7** is a Resolution of Appreciation for Student Government Day.

Reminder: Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 12th. Don't forget to spring your clocks forward!

# **Military Resource Fair**

The Cuyahoga County Public Library and the City of Independence's Community Service Department will be hosting a Military Resource Fair, on Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The event will be held at the Independence Civic Center and the Cuyahoga County Library will feature a variety of organizations geared towards helping those who have served our country, no matter what era, their spouses and families. Throughout the day there will be agency representatives who can help military personnel or their families with benefit questions, employment opportunities and many other military related areas. The event is completely free and open to the public. Free continental breakfast, haircuts, massages and additional offers will be available to those in attendance.

Date: Monday, April 3, 2017 Time: 9am-12pm

Location: Independence Civic Center (6363 Selig Drive, Independence, OH 44131)

Bring: DD 214 or NGB 22 discharge papers. If discharge papers are not available, please bring the social security card of the military personnel.

It is everyone's intention to make sure that all those who have served our nation are aware of the benefits and services available to them during the Military Resource Fair.



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# **Proposed Property Tax Levy**

# Tuesday, May 2nd

The Village of Walton Hills will be proposing a property tax levy this May. The election will be held on Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, not Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> as previously published. If passed, the levy would help support our current police operations so the Village of Walton Hills can continue to provide the quality of services you've come to expect. This additional revenue would help offset the loss of income previously received from the Ford Stamping Plant and Arhaus Furniture.

At its peak in 2004, the Ford Motor Company gave Walton Hills \$1,621,220. To help offset the loss of revenue from the Ford Plant, in 2013, the Village increased the income tax rate to 2.5%. In 2015, Arhaus Furniture gave Walton Hills a six figure amount. It would take an increase of 4.5 mills (property tax) just to replace the income lost from the departures of those companies. This year, the City of Cleveland increased its payroll tax to 2.5% which means Walton Hills will lose \$50,000 annually. Cuyahoga Heights has also increased its payroll tax to 2.5%, meaning Walton Hills will lose \$3,000 per year. To offset those losses, a 0.40 millage rate increase would be needed. Several other communities, like Bedford and Macedonia, are exploring the idea of increasing income tax rates as well.

As you can imagine, the loss of our top two employers, and the increase of payroll tax in other local communities has negatively impacted the Village's finances. Walton Hills will be asking you to support a 5.0 mill property tax increase during a four year period. Your current property tax is 0.30 mills and generates less than \$50,000 to Walton Hills. It is used to offset around 25% of the Police Department's pension costs. If the levy passes, voters will have the opportunity, in four years, to cast their ballots again to re-approve a levy. If necessary, Village Council will also have the ability to repeal the levy before the four year term is up.

The property tax in Walton Hills has been the same since 1951 (0.30 mills) and is the lowest in all of Cuyahoga County. To put this in perspective, the average property tax in Cuyahoga County is more than 10 mills. We're only asking you to support a proposed increase from the current 0.30 mills to 5.3 mills, which is still below average for Cuyahoga County. Let's take a closer look at how the current millage (0.30) in Walton Hills and the proposed millage (5.3) in our Village stacks up to another municipality for a house valued at \$145,100 in each community. We'll compare Walton Hills and the City of Bedford Heights (21.9 mills).

Home Value: \$145,100

Municipality	Total Mills	Total \$ to the Village/City
Walton Hills - Current	0.30	\$ 13.33
Walton Hills - Proposed	5.30	\$ 267.26
Bedford Heights	21.9	\$ 973.17

At the current millage, the Walton Hills household used in the example above only gives \$13.33 per year to the Village. If the proposed levy passes, the amount would go up to \$267.26 a year. That's an increase of \$253.93 a year, or \$21.16 per month. That does seem like a lot, but even the proposed increase would be less than the majority of Cuyahoga County's municipalities. In this example, the Walton Hills homeowner would still be paying \$705.91 less per year to the Village than what the Bedford Heights homeowner pays annually to the City of Bedford Heights (again, using the same home value for each community).

Walton Hills has scheduled another town hall meeting for Tuesday, March 28th at 6pm in the community room to continue the open, transparent discussion on the proposed property tax levy. This month's meeting will also include the State of the Village address.

#### Reminder:

If you're interested in viewing the Village's financial reports, you can do so by logging onto <a href="www.waltonhillsohio.gov">www.waltonhillsohio.gov</a>. When you log on, scroll over the word "Services" at the top of the page and click on "Finance Department" in the drop down menu. From there, you'll notice a blue "Useful Links & Info" box on the right side of the screen. Click on "Financial Reports."

Reminder: The deadline to file your taxes this year is Tuesday, April 18th.

# **Walton Hills Police Department Information**

#### Kenn Thellmann, Chief of Police Councilman Denny Linville, Safety Committee Chair

Walton Hills Project Blue Light would like to ask each of you to consider placing a blue light in your window or porch light to show your support for your law enforcement officers. The blue lights show support for police officers and honor those who have died in the line of duty. Local communities have been inspired to show their support for police after recent shootings where officers were injured and killed.

The blue lights convey a message of respect and solidarity with officers and their families, as well as help to raise awareness and get people to stop and think about what it all means. If you would like to show your support for law enforcement officers simply switch out your

porch light with a blue bulb. Officers appreciate any support they get from their community.

Each time they leave their families, they know there is a chance they may not come home. Despite that, they are willing to make that sacrifice in order to protect all of the residents of this country. To know that we have the support of our community means the world to law enforcement officers. If you would like to show your support, we have blue light bulbs available

for residents at the Village Hall.

Thank you for your support.

# **Advanced Senior Citizen Police Academy**

We're in the process of setting up an Advanced Senior Citizen's Police Academy. It will be for cadets who have graduated from one of our previous four Senior Citizen Police Academies. The advanced academy will provide a more in-depth look at police work. If this is something you think you'd be interested in call the police department at 440-232-1313 and ask for Delores Mueller or Officer Tom Cercek.

# **ID R Kids & Next of Kin**

#### Dispatcher Essence Sullins / Communications Supervisor Shannon Cartier

As of 2008, Ohio became one of the first states to allow holders of valid Ohio driver's licenses and identification cards to register emergency contact information. In the event of an emergency, this information can be accessed by law enforcement personnel for individuals who have registered. Contact information can be registered online or at a BMV Deputy Registrar location. For online registrations, go to <u>www.ohiobmv.gov</u> – in the dark blue menu on the left, choose "Online Services" then choose "Next of Kin/Emergency Contact."

Next of Kin information can also be connected with the "ID R Kids for Safety" cards. "ID R Kids for Safety" is an ID card for your child/children. For \$8.50, you can obtain a photo identification card for your child/children that will assist authorities in the event that a child is reported missing. There is no minimum age to obtain one. The next of kin information provided will help authorities get in touch with the child's parents or quardian. Visit www.ohiobmv.gov for more information about adding next of kin/emergency contact information to your driver's license or Ohio identification card and obtaining an ID for the youngsters in your home.



Don't forget to like the Walton Hills Police Department on Facebook. You can view photos, videos, and get the latest information on what's going on in the Village.



## **March Recreation News**

Carol Stanoszek, Recreation Director (440) 786-2964 stanoszekc@waltonhillsohio.gov Mary Brenner-Miller, Recreation and Community Life Committee Chairwoman

**Event: MORNING MEETING WITH THE** 

**MAYOR** 

Date: Wednesday, March 8th

Time: 9am

Site: Community Room

Cost: Free

Note: Find out what's going on in Walton Hills.

Ask questions and get answers!

**Event: PARKER AND BASEBALL SIGNUPS** 

Date: Saturday, March 11th

Time: 10am-12pm

Site: Walton Hills Community Center,

14660 Alexander Road

Note: Final registration deadline is Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Baseball forms will be available online March 1<sup>st</sup> through April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Parker Program info will also be available. Parker Program forms are due Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be a \$25 fee thereafter. Any questions? Call 440-786-2964.

Event: SENIOR LUNCH
Date: Monday, March 27th

Time: 11:15am

Site: Community Room

Cost: \$5

Note: Mexican theme! Join us for a delicious lunch with

neighbors and friends!

#### **CAROL'S BOOKWORM REVIEW**

Last month we read and discussed the book "Little Girl Gone," by Gerry Schmitt. We rated this book:









Out of 5

#### CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED

Applications for summer camp counselors can be picked up in the Recreation Center located at 14660 Alexander Road or at the Village Hall. Applications can also be found online at <a href="https://www.waltonhillsohio.gov">www.waltonhillsohio.gov</a> from Wednesday, March 1st through Monday, April 3rd. Applicants must be willing to work with children, enjoy the outdoors and be at least 18 years of age.

**Event: CAROL'S BOOKWORMS** 

Date: Monday, March 27th

Time: 7pm

Site: Community Room

Cost: A food item for the Village's pantry.

**Event: HISTORIC BEDFORD BUILDINGS AND** 

**MONUMENTS** 

Date: Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>
Time: Leaving Village Hall at 11am

Cost: \$5 plus lunch

Note: First, we'll eat at the Glenwillow Grill and then

we'll head over to tour an 1874 Town Hall, 1892 Baptist Church, 1832 Hezekiah Dunham House and the 1882 Wheeling & Lake Erie Train Depot. Walking, stairs and standing involved.

#### **LOOK AHEAD:**

**Event: ADULT EASTER EGG FLASHLIGHT** 

**DASH** 

Date: Saturday, April 1st

Time: Check-in: 7:30pm, Start time: 8:30pm

Site: TG Young Park

Cost: \$10 per resident, \$15 per non-resident

Note: For ages 21 & up! This is not your egg hunt

from your childhood! Bring your basket or bag and a flashlight. Hunt for plastic eggs that

may win you big prizes! Raffle drawing too! Music, snacks, beverages. You must be registered and have paid for this event by Monday, March 27th. Sign up at the Recreation Office at 14660 Alexander Road between 9am-4pm, Monday-Thursday. You can also leave your name, address, phone number, date of birth and payment in an envelope and place it in the white mailbox at the Village Hall labeled: Adult Easter Egg Flashlight Dash. You can also pay via PayPal using the email address: recreation@waltonhillsohio.gov. In case of rain or snow, the egg hunt will be held on Saturday, April 8th.

Please note that all programs and trips are subject to change due to bad weather. Please call the Recreation Department if you have any concerns, 440-786-2964.

# **Medicare Part D: Part Two**

#### Kathleen Kapusta, LISW-S Social Worker / Office Phone 216.524.5570

Last month we began our discussion about Medicare Part D. Here is more information to help you make the most of your Part D Plan.

#### **Formularies**

Each Medicare drug plan has a list of prescription drugs (formulary) that it covers. Plans cover both generic and brand-name prescription drugs. The formulary must include a range of drugs in the most commonly prescribed categories and classes. This helps make sure that people with different medical conditions can get the prescription drugs they need. The formulary might not include your specific drug, but, in most cases, a similar drug is available. If you, your prescriber, or your doctor believes none of the drugs on your plan's formulary will work for your condition, you can ask for an exception.

A Medicare drug plan can make some changes to its drug list during the year for the following reasons: drug therapies change, new drugs are released or new medical information becomes available. If the change involves a drug you're currently taking, your plan must do one of these:

- Give you notice in writing at least 60 days before the date the change becomes effective.
- At the time you request a refill, provide written notice of the change and a 60-day supply of the drug under the same plan rules as before the change.

Note: A plan isn't required to tell you in advance when it removes a drug from its formulary if the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) takes the drug off the market for safety reasons, but your plan will let you know afterward. You may need to change the drug you use or pay more for it. In some cases, you can keep taking the drug until the end of the year.

Generally, using drugs on your plan's formulary will save you money. If you use a drug that's not on your plan's drug list, you'll have to pay full price instead of a copayment or coinsurance, unless you qualify for a formulary exception. All Medicare drug plans have negotiated to get lower prices for the drugs on their drug lists, so using those drugs will generally save you money.

Also, using generic drugs instead of brand-name drugs may save you money.

- The FDA says generic drugs are copies of brand-name drugs and are the same as those brand-name drugs in dosage form, safety, strength, route of administration, quality, performance characteristics and intended use.
- Generic drugs use the same active ingredients as brand-name prescription drugs. Today, more than 75% of Part D prescriptions nationally are filled with generics.

#### **Tiers**

To lower costs, many plans place drugs into different "tiers" on their formularies. Each tier costs a different amount. A drug in a lower tier will cost you less than a drug in a higher tier. Each plan can divide its tiers in different ways. In some cases, if your drug is in a higher (more expensive) tier and your prescriber thinks you need that drug instead of a similar drug on a lower tier, you can file an exception and ask your plan for a lower copayment.

This is only an example-your plan's tier structure may be different:

Tier 1 Lowest Copayment	Most generic prescription drugs
Tier 2 Medium Copayment	Preferred, brand-name prescription drugs
Tier 3 Higher Copayment	Non-preferred, brand- name prescription drugs
Specialty Tier	Highest copayment or coinsurance, unique or very

high cost prescription drugs

#### **Coverage Rules**

Plans may have coverage rules to make sure certain drugs are used correctly and only when medically necessary. These rules can include prior authorization, step therapy, and quantity limits.

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## **Medicare Part D: Part Two**

#### Kathleen Kapusta, LISW-S Social Worker / Office Phone 216.524.5570

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#### **Prior Authorization**

Plans may require a prior authorization to make sure certain prescription drugs are used correctly and only when medically necessary. Before your plan will cover a certain drug, you must show the plan you meet established criteria for you to have that particular drug.

#### **Step Therapy**

Step therapy is a type of prior authorization. With step therapy, in most cases, you must first try certain less expensive drugs that are also approved for use for your condition before you can move up a "step" to a more expensive drug. For example, your plan may require you to first try a generic prescription drug and then a less expensive brand-name prescription drug on its formulary,

before it will cover a similar, more expensive brand-name prescription drug.

If your prescriber believes that because of your condition it's medically necessary for you to be on a more expensive step therapy drug without trying the less expensive drug first, you or your prescriber can contact the plan to request an exception. Your prescriber can also request an exception if he or she believes you'll have adverse health effects if you take the less expensive drug, or if your prescriber believes the less expensive drug would be less effective. Your prescriber must give a statement supporting the request. If the request is approved, the plan will cover the more expensive drug.

Source: Ohio State Health insurance Information Program

# **Walton Hills Directory**

The Village of Walton Hills will be updating its directory. Please check your 2014 directory to make sure that all of the information for your listing is accurate. If there is something you'd like to change, please complete the form below and put it in an envelope labeled "2017 DIRECTORY" and drop it in the white Village mailbox no later than Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. If you would like your phone number taken out of the directory, please write "REMOVE," on that line. Email addresses will NOT be in the new one. If your email address was listed in the 2014 directory, it will be removed. Addresses of residents who moved into the Village after the last directory was published will be included unless we are notified otherwise. We will not print your phone number unless you provide it. We will also not publish your email address if you list it. The email addresses will be for Village use only.

2017 DIRECTORY INFORMATION					
NAME:					
ADDRESS:					
TELEPHONE NUMBER (OPTIONAL):					
EMAIL ADDRESS (OPTIONAL, VILLAGE USE ONLY):					
**RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2017**					

# **Street Commissioner's Report**

#### Dan Stucky, Street Commissioner / Councilman Brian Spitznagel, Infrastructure Committee Chairman

As we continue to battle Mother Nature's winter weather, we are reminded that in only a few short weeks spring will arrive! With warmer weather on the horizon, we will happily be turning our attention to more summerlike sounds. Instead of the snow plows rumbling down the streets, we'll hear birds chirping, brush chippers chipping and lawn mowers running and don't forget, the children playing at TG Young Park! March is typically that transition period when we might be snow plowing on Monday and then tuning up lawn equipment and the brush chipper on Wednesday! Once spring arrives (Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>) we will be putting our winter equipment away and hoping for drier weather which will allow us to get a good start on our spring cleanup duties throughout Walton Hills!

Goodbye, Winter - Hello, Spring

# **Household Hazardous Waste Disposal**

The Village of Walton Hills is teaming up again this year with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District to provide residents with the opportunity to recycle old items laying in and around the house. The first recycling roundup for 2017 is the "Household Hazardous Waste Disposal." It'll take place Monday, April 24th through Friday, April 28th from 8am-3:30pm each day at the Service Department located at 6800 Dunham Road. Residents can dispose of oil-based paints, pesticides, used automotive fluids, lawn and garden products, pool chemicals and household cleaners.

#### No medications, needles or latex paint!

Latex paint can be dried up using cat litter and placed in the trash. If you have prescription drugs that need disposed of, you can drop them in the prescription drug drop box located

in the lobby of the Walton Hills Police Department. Check with your health care provider or health care facility to see if they have a take-back program for needles. If not, used needles and syringes from self-injections may be placed in the regular trash if certain precautions are followed. The precautions are designed to protect sanitation workers and other workers in the waste industry from being stuck by a needle.

- Place used needles/syringes in a rigid plastic container with a sealable lid such as a Sharps container or plastic laundry detergent bottle with a screw top.
- Seal the lid with tape.
- Write "Caution: Sharps" on the container.
- Place the container in your regular trash.
- Do not place the container with your recyclables.

#### R.A.D. RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE

Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 10am-2:30pm

Walton Hills Community Room 7595 Walton Road • Walton Hills, OH 44146

Rape Aggression Defense (R.A.D.) Systems is not a martial arts program. It's an internationally recognized WOMEN-ONLY self-defense course teaching realistic tactics/techniques to give women the tools needed to prevent or escape harmful situations.

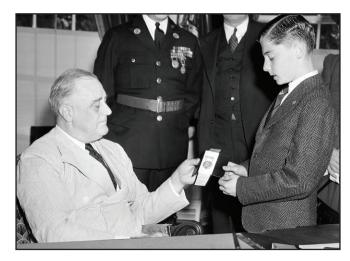
RSVP to Sergeant Melissa Walsh by Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>: MelissaW@waltonhillsohio.gov / 440.232.1313



# **DONN FENDLER (1926-2016)**

#### Councilwoman Gloria Terlosky, Information Committee Chairwoman

You may not recognize the name so let me tell you his story. In July of 1939, a time before cell phones and GPS devices, this young 12 year old Boy Scout along with his father and two brothers set out to scale the tallest peak in Maine. Near the summit Donn got lost in the fog and was separated from the other climbers. Search parties and blood hounds combed the area in search of him for nine days.



President Franklin D. Roosevelt presented Donn Fendler with the Army and Navy Legion of Valor medal in 1940.

To survive, Donn called on the skills he had learned in scouting like eating berries for nourishment and covering himself with moss at night to keep warm. He followed a small stream hoping it would lead him to a camp or town. For more than a week he walked, losing his tennis shoes in the water, yet he kept going. Then one day he looked up and noticed telephone wires; he knew he was on the right track.

The owner of a hunting camp saw

Donn sitting and sobbing on a river

bank; he was naked, emaciated, and covered with insect bites. Donn had lost 16 pounds during the nine day ordeal. He was hailed as a hero for his self-reliance and was on the cover of Life Magazine. President Franklin D. Roosevelt presented him with the Army and Navy Legion of Valor medal in 1940. Donn served in the Navy in the final years of World War II and he served with Army Special Forces in Vietnam.

I am a proponent of the scouts, both Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts. Could your child or grandchild survive for more than a week, or even one day in the wilderness, with no electronic devices to rely on? Most of them can't go twenty minutes without tweeting or texting someone!

If you want your child to get a jump on life I would highly encourage them to get involved in scouting. It builds character and life skills. It is one of the best things a parent or grandparent can

do for their child. I am so very sad and tired of reading about how many young people are losing their lives to drugs. Could scouting make a difference? To quote Donn Fendler, "It's really about faith and determination."

Give scouting a try, what do you have to lose? It may just save a young person's life. I dedicate this article to Thomas E. Cashman of Troop 399 who, on a daily basis, truly lives his life following the scout's code of ethics. He will go far because he is prepared for life!



# Thank You Carol James Florist

Our most sincere appreciation is extended to Carol James Florist, located at 451 Broadway Avenue in Bedford, for donating a beautiful floral arrangement for display in the Village Hall lobby every week.

Please patronize this wonderful florist! Their phone number is 440.786.1811.

# **Calendar of Events**

# March 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Historical Resource Center 1-3pm & 7-8:30pm	Mayor's Court 4pm	3	4
5	6 Women's Club Board Mtg. 7pm	7 C.O.W. Mtg. 6pm	Morning Meeting w/the Mayor 9am	Mayor's Court 4pm	10	Baseball and Parker Program Signups 10am-12pm
spring forward	50 Plus Club Board Mtg. 10am	14 C.O.W. Mtg. 6pm	15	Mayor's Court 4pm	Happy St. Patrick's Day!	18
19	Spring Begins 50 Plus Club Mtg. 1 pm Antique Car Club 7pm	Council Mtg. 6pm	Women's Club Mtg. 7pm	Mayor's Court 4pm	24	RAD Class 10am-2:30pm
26	Senior Lunch 11:15am Carol's Bookworms 7pm	Tax Levy Town Hall & State of the Village 6pm	Historic Bedford Buildings & Monuments Leaving at 11am	30	31	

Women's Exercise Class - Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the Community Room Mahjongg - Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 4pm at the Walton Hills Church of Christ Knit-Wits 2 Needles - Tuesdays from 1 to 3pm at the Walton Hills Church of Christ

For the most up-to-date info, call the Village Voice Info Line 440.735.5001 Option 5 Extra copies of the Walton Hills Journal are available at the Village Hall



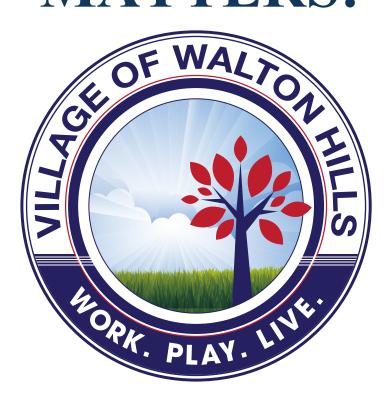


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